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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

SUNDAY:

Bible Classes.....9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship.....10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship.....6:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY:

Bible Classes.....6:00 p.m.

Roger Rush, Minister

WELCOME!

We invite you to all of our services.

“...the churches of Christ salute you” (Romans 16:16)

IT'S NECESSARY!

Are you familiar with the following? "He who has believed and has been baptized shall be saved; but he who has disbelieved shall be condemned" (Mark 16:16). "I tell you, no, but unless you repent, you will all likewise perish" (Luke 13:3, 5). "Truly, truly, I say unto you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God" (John 3:5).

What do these passages have in common? First, they are all attributed to Jesus. That should underscore the authority attached to them. Second, they are clear and concise. They spell out in unmistakable language specific demands enjoined upon man by the Savior. Third, they speak of the consequences which will come upon the disobedient.

What are the specific commands? These three statements (and there are certainly others which are just as clear and forceful) demand faith, repentance, and baptism as the necessary and appropriate response to Jesus. It is not possible to respond honestly and faithfully to Jesus while ignoring His demands. Yet, this is exactly what routinely happens in the religious world.

What are the consequences of disobedience? Just as surely as he who believes and is baptized shall be saved, so with the same degree of

certainty, those who do not believe, and thus do not desire baptism, shall be damned (Mark 16:16). Those who will not repent will perish (Luke 13:3, 5). And those who are not born again will never enter the kingdom (John 3:5). Remember, these are Christ's own commands we are considering.

There is no disputing it, this is what Jesus commanded. Does it make sense to deny His demands? Are there any reasons for rejecting them? Will honest and sincere people not want to comply? Why, then, do so many folks deny what Jesus plainly taught? I don't know. But I do know this. It is necessary to obey His commands to share in His promises. Anyone who tells you otherwise is not being honest and faithful to the Lord (Hebrews 5:8, 9)!

It's necessary! Have you obeyed?

---Roger

NOTES: _____

*Welcome! We are thankful for your presence.
To our visitors, please fill out one of the blue cards and place it in
one of the collection plates.*

<i>Sunday a.m.</i>	<i>Pure Religion</i>	<i>James 1:19-27</i>
<i>Sunday p.m.</i>	<i>The Christian Life</i>	<i>Philippians 1:27-30</i>

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- *Hillery is doing much better, her blood pressure is under control.
- *Erma Endly misses everyone.
- *Ardith Winland is having a heart procedure on the 29th, please keep her in your prayers. Her son Ed is also having tests done at Riverside.
- * Lois Knight is doing well and getting around much better.

<u>IN OUR PRAYERS:</u> Kevin Adkins, Diann Bachmann, Betsy Cook, Erma Endly, Mike & Karen Grove, Gary Jones, Rick Lambert, Jody Main, Carol Mitchell, Linda Steele, Helena Tewksbury, Hazel Leep, Hillery Ruiz		<u>SHUT-INS:</u> Debbie Jones, Nancy Love, and Randy Yost		
<u>FAMILY AND FRIENDS:</u> Bill and Peggy Albright (friend of the Starrett's), Weston Boulet (great-grandson of Shirley Patterson), Betty Cox (Diann Bachmann's sister), Ryleigh Farson, Linda Potts (Joyce Starrett's sister-in-law), Addy Reed, Rodney Reeves (Erica Cunningham's father), John Rockhold, John Shipley (New Concord), Conrad Schultz, Gleneda Powers (Erma Endly's friend), Zack Powers (grandson of Gleneda), Wendy Waugh (Fawn Wayble, sister), Ed Windland (Ardith's son), Ardith Winland, Lois Knight and remember to pray for one another.				
<u>AM Study</u>	<u>Sun. AM</u>	<u>Sun. PM</u>	<u>Giving (\$2,460)</u>	<u>WED.</u>

REMINDERS:

Several phone numbers to update:
Norm Behrendt: cell phone, 740-584-2266
(land line out of service, temporary)
Betsy Cook: 740-492-4247
Hazel Leep: 740-319-3987

